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In re Application of: Examiner: RANJIT NOTANI, ET AL. Serial No. 09/971,718 JAMIE H. SWARTZ

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For: FACILITATING THE NEGOTIATION OF STANDARDS FOR INTER-**ENTERPRISE COLLABORATION §**

BETWEEN TRADING PARTNERS §

RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Dear Sir/Madam:

A Final Office Action in the subject Application was mailed to the undersigned on 3 December 2009, which provides for a shortened statutory response period ending 3 March 2010. Applicants are submitting this Amendment within two (2) months of the mailing date of the Final Office Action. Please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.